



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 00-713-I-13)**

In re Application of:	)	
Mirkin et al.	)	Examiner: Jezia Riley
Serial No. 09/975,384	)	Group Art Unit: 1637
Filed: October 11, 2001	)	
For: Nanoparticles Having Oligonucleotides Attached Thereto and Uses Therefor	)	Confirmation No.: 9813

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED APRIL 27, 2005**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office action dated April 27, 2005. Please amend this application as shown below.

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